

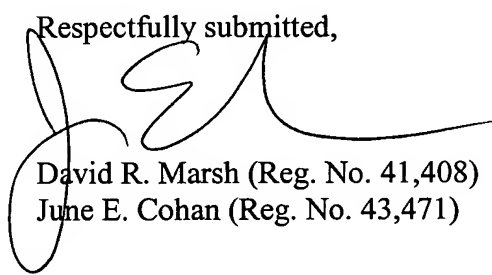
**Remarks**

The Sequence Listing has been formatted to comply with current 37 C.F.R. § 1.821 et seq. No new matter enters by this amendment. The specification has been amended to update cross-reference to related application information, and to specify that the present application is a National Stage of International Application No. PCT/US00/18813, filed 11 July 2000. No new matter enters by this amendment.

The presently pending claims are believed to be in immediate condition for allowance. Accordingly, the Examiner is respectfully requested to pass this application to issue. The Examiner is respectfully requested to contact Applicant's undersigned representative at 202.942.5071 to address any unresolved issues remaining in this application.

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